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27366 7590 12/18/2007 WESTMAN CHAMPLIN (MICROSOFT CORPORATION) SUITE 1400 900 SECOND AVENUE SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402-3319			EXAMINER HA, LEYNNA A	
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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/728,396	YEATES ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	LEYNNA T. HA	2135	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) LEYNNA T. HA. (3) _____

(2) Christopher Holt. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 11 December 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 21.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sutter (US 6,446,092).

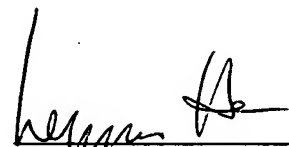
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr.Holt explained the claimed invention and finds that Sutter did not teach claim 1 and claim 21. Examiner discussed the how the prior art, Sutter, is read into the claimed "utilizing the password as a basis for generation of a user-specific version of an encryption component". Mr.Holt states the current invention is using a password to encrypt an encryption key and that the password is encrypted. Examiner finds neither claims 1 nor 21 claiming this limitation because using a password to generate a user specific encryption component cannot be similar to using a password to encrypt an encryption key nor an encrypted password. Mr.Holt does not agree.

Mr.Holt then turns to claim 21 stating this claim discloses an encrypted password reciting "processing the password to form an encrypted version" and that there are two different instances of encryption. Examiner explains this limitation can broadly be interpreted as an encrypted password or an encrypted version of the component. The reason that it can be an encrypted version of the component because claim 21 further recites utilizing the password as a basis for decrypting a user-specific version of an encryption component. An encryption component is not recited earlier in the claim nor defined in the claim such that the encryption component is different from the encrypted version. Plus, the encryption component is user-specific version which correlates to the encrypted version that was formed by the password where a password is user-specific. Mr.Holt disagrees because the specification and drawings shows the current invention having two encryption processes and that the claims should be taken in light of the specification and the drawings. Examiner noted the limitations must be within the scope of the claims and can broadly and reasonably be interpreted according to what is claimed.